AMENDMENT TO CLAIMS:

Claims 1-64 and 88 (previously cancelled)

Cancel claim 66

Amend claims 65 and 67

65. (currently amended) A composite wall structure for a vascular tubular member for repair of injury to a blood vessel within the body, said composite wall structure comprising;

A. flexible stands and structural strands, said flexible strands having a different physical stiffness than said structural strands, some of said flexible strands having axial componency and being interwoven in an alternating manner over and under consecutive flexible strands having circumferential componency, said flexible strands providing for sealing at crossover points,

B. at least some of said structural strands extending substantially in a circumferential direction forming circumferential structural strands, said circumferential structural strands being interwoven by said flexible strands wherein any one of said flexible strands having circumferential componency is replaced by one of said circumferential structural strands, said circumferential structural strands providing for anti-kinking characteristics for the vascular tubular member and said circumferential structural strands being exposed an equal portion to both the inside and outside of the tubular member, said circumferential structural and said flexible strands having substantially continuous contact with neighboring strands such that said composite wall structure will not significantly leak blood serum or blood cellular elements~~;~~ .

66. (Currently Canceled)

67. (currently amended) A composite wall structure for a vascular tubular member for repair of injury to a blood vessel within the body, the vascular tubular member being deliverable with a smaller diameter to the blood vessel and expandable to a larger diameter within the blood vessel, said composite wall structure comprising;

A. first strands and second strands, said first strands being more flexible than said second strands, some of said first strands having axial componency and being interwoven in an alternating manner over and under consecutive first strands having circumferential componency, said first strands providing for sealing at crossover points,

B. said second strands having a substantial circumferential direction interwoven by said first strands wherein any one of said first strands having circumferential componency is replaced by one of said second strands, said second strands providing the vascular tubular member with expansion force to hold the tubular member in a larger diameter within the blood vessel, said second strands ~~and~~ making up an equal portion of the inner and outer surfaces of the tubular member,

C. said second strands being interwoven with said first strands having axial componency, said second strands and said first strands having substantially continuous contact with neighboring strands such that said composite wall structure will not significantly leak blood serum or blood cellular elements.

68. (previously amended) The composite wall structure of claim 65 wherein said vascular tubular member is deliverable with a smaller diameter to the blood vessel and expandable to a larger diameter within the blood vessel, wherein said circumferential structural strands exert a force to hold said tubular member out against the vessel wall.

69. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 65 wherein said vascular tubular member is a bifurcated tubular member.

70. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 65 wherein said flexible strands are multifilament strands.

71. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 70 wherein said multifilament strands are formed from a polymeric material.

72. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim of claim 70 wherein said multifilament flexible strands are formed from a material taken from a group which includes polytetrafluoroethylene, polyester, silicone, carbon, polyurethane, and composite materials.

73. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 70 wherein said multifilament strands are formed from expanded polytetrafluouroethylene.

74. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 65 wherein said structural strands are monofilament strands.

75. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 74 wherein said monofilament strands are formed from a metal.

76. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 74 wherein said monofilament strands are formed from a material taken from a group which includes stainless steel, nitinol, titanium, tantalum, platinum, metal alloys, and metal composites.

77. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 74 wherein said monofilament strands are formed from a material which is polymeric.

78. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 74 wherein said monofilament strands are formed from a material taken from a group which includes polytetrafluoroethylene, carbon, polyester, polyurethane, and polymeric composite materials.

79. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 65 wherein said structural strands are multifilament strands.

80. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 79 wherein said multifilament strands are formed from strands taken from a group which includes metallic strands, polymeric strands, carbon strands, composite strands, a mixture of metallic and polymeric strands, and composite strands formed from a mixture of metallic and polymeric fibers.

81. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 79 wherein said multifilament strands are polytetrafluoroethylene strands.

82. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 81 wherein said polytetrafluoroethylene strands are formed from expanded polytetrafluoroethylene.

83. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 65 wherein said flexible strands are monofilament strands.

84. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 83 wherein said monofilament strands are formed of a material taken from a group which includes metals, metal alloys, polymers, composite materials, and carbon.

85. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 83 wherein said monofilament strands are polytetrafluoroethylene strands.

86. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 85 wherein said polytetrafluoroethylene strands are formed of expanded polytetrafluoroethylene.

87. (previously amended) The composite wall structure of claim 65 wherein said composite wall structure is a braided structure having at least some of said structural strands extend with substantial circumferential componency.

88. (previously canceled)

89. (previously amended) The composite wall structure of claim 65 further comprising axial structural strands which are of greater physical stiffness than said flexible strands and having significant axial componency interwoven with said circumferential structural stands in at least a portion of said vascular tubular member, wherein said composite structure will not leak blood cellular elements.

90. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 89 wherein at least a fractional number of said axial structural strands extend proximally beyond an inlet end of said vascular tubular member.

91. (previously presented) The composite wall structure of claim 90 wherein said axial structural strands extending proximally beyond an inlet end of said vascular tubular member are attached to an attachment means that is positioned at a distance away and proximal said inlet end, said vascular tubular member being attached to the blood vessel remote from said inlet end.